The balance requirement for 5.56 mm INSAS Rifles and SLRs is being allocated in 2002-2003.

NLFT camps in Bangladesh

3262. SHRI NARENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Liberation Front of Tripura (NLFT), supported by Pakistani ISI had set up about 20 camps in Bangladesh and NSCN (IM) militants are training the NLFT militants as revealed by Chief Minister of Tripura in the North-Eastern Council Meet held in February, 2002; and

(b) if so, what steps both at diplomatic and security levels have been taken to effectively tackle the situation before it assumes dangerous proportion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) There have been reports that the NLFT has a number of camps in Bangladesh and the group as been receiving help and guidance, by way of arms supply, training of its cadres, joint operations etc. from NSCN(IM) within the territory of Bangladesh.

(b) The issue is regularly taken up on bilateral basis with Bangladesh. Bangladesh has repeatedly stated categorically that it will not allow its territory to be used for terrorism or against the interests of another friendly country. The Government have also called upon the terrorists to give up the path of violence and come to the mainstream and solve their problems through negotiated settlement. The measures taken at security levels *inter-alia* include deployment of CPMFs along border area and the fencing of border.

Terrorists wanted in India staying in UAE

3263. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of fugitive terrorists wanted by India are in United Arab Emirate and other countries;

(b) whether similarly a number of Narcotic Smugglers, Criminals accused of Economic Offences, smuggling weapons and explosives into India are staying in UAE, Bangladesh and many other countries;

(c) whether renewed efforts are being made for their extradition; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Government is aware of reports of fugitive terrorists, narcotic smugglers, criminals accused of economic offences, arms smuggling etc. staying in UAE and other countries.

(c) and (d) Seeking extradition of such terrorists/criminals wherever their presence is confirmed in a country is an on-going process. The issue is taken up with different countries through our Embassies as per the provisions of extradition treaties.

Recently, the authorities of United Arab Emirates (UAE) deported to India two individuals responsible for attack on the American Cultural Center in Kolkata, without insisting on time-consuming procedures of extradition, which was very much in line with the requirements of the international fight against terrorism.

USA's offer to help the relatives of victims killed in American Centre attack in Kolkata

3264. SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the U.S. Government has offered to help relatives of cops killed in American Centre attack in Kolkata;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken to ensure that the next of kin of victims killed while guarding the American Centre are benefited by the offer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Investigation conducted by FBI in India

3265. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Federal Bureau of Investigation can conduct investigation into offences committed in India, if so, what are the parameters in this regard;

(b) the number of officers and staff Federal Bureau of Investigation has in India; and